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WITH IRAN ON ATOMIC ENERGY

REFS: (A) STATE 105820; (B) GENEVA 3642; (C) STATE A-4552

1. SCIATT 16 JULY CALLED ON DR. ETEMAD OF AEOI TO DELIVER ATTACHMENTS TO REF AIRGRAM, EXPLAIN MAIN DEVELOPMENTS RESULTING FROM PRESIDENT'S DECISION ON URANIUM ENRICHMENT, AND DISCUSS THEIR RELEVANCE TO IRAN. ETEMAD MOSTLY NONCOMMITTAL, EVEN THOUGH SUBJECT OF UEA PLANT WAS RAISED. HE SHOWED SPECIAL INTEREST IN GAS CENTRIFUGE DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS AND MENTIONED THAT HE HAD JUST LEARNED OF ADVANCE BRITISH TECHNOLOGY USING MANY SMALL CENTRIFUGES DURING HIS RECENT VISIT TO U.K.

2. WHEN SUBJECT OF DRAFT AGREEMENT ON ATOMIC ENERGY WAS RAISED WITH HIM HE FIRST ASKED IF SCIATT HAD HEARD ANYTHING RECENTLY FROM WASHINGTON ON THIS. TO NEGATIVE REPLY HE RESPONDED THAT HE FELT SURE THERE WERE NEW THOUGHTS ON SUBJECT. (HE MAY HAVE BEEN REFERRING TO EXCHANGE IN GENEVA MAY 18 ON IRANIAN DRAFT RESOLUTION AT NPT REVCON CONCERNING OBLIGATIONS OF RECIPIENT STATES OTHER THAN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THOSE ALREADY UNDERTAKEN IN ACCORDANCE WITH NPT; SEE REFTEL B.)

3. SCIATT EXPRESSED OUR FEELING THAT FOLLOWING DELIVERY OF MAY 7 DRAFT, THE BALL WAS IN IRANIAN COURT. ETEMAD STATED HE AND HIS STAFF HAVE STUDIED IT AND STILL FIND SEVERAL SECTIONS OF DRAFT WHICH DO NOT MEET IRANIAN REQUIREMENTS. IT WAS AGREED THAT AEOI WILL PREPARE A PAPER SETTING FORTH THEIR THOUGHTS ON THESE SECTIONS FOR OUR FURTHER CONSIDERATION.

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